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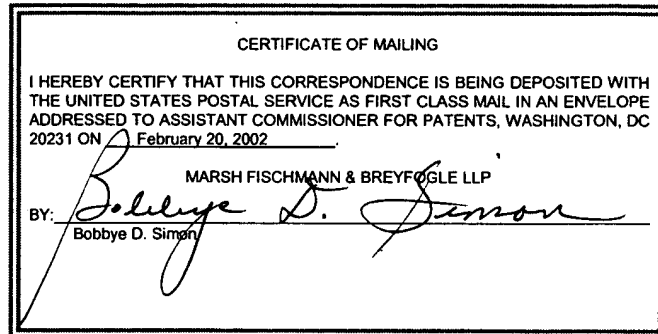
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Prior to the initial review of the above-identified patent application by the Examiner, please enter the following Preliminary Amendment. Changes to claims are set forth in Appendix A, attached.

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Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the first complete paragraph on page 2 with the following:

Conventionally, the associated rules are executed manually. However, such manual execution has limitations related to timeliness and consistency. With regard to timeliness, it is often desired to selectively share information in contexts where timeliness of

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